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John R. Simon · 3rd

President & Chief Executive Officer at Stavatti Niagara Ltd

Stavatti Niagara Ltd

Harvard Business School of Buffalo

Buffalo-Niagara Falls Area · [Contact info](#)

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About

Accomplished executive with extensive background in organizational development, economic development, international trade, and business development. Knowledgeable of federal, state, and local resources and incentives for business. Respected leader in the business community. Areas of expertise and experience include:

- * Leadership and Strategic Planning
- * Project Management/Implementation
- * Economic Development
- * Marketing and Market Analysis
- * Business Operations Improvement
- * Training and Development
- * Negotiation and Problem Solving

Activity

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Experience

President & Chief Executive Officer

Stavatti Niagara Ltd · Full-time

Nov 2020 - Present · 2 yrs 3 mos

Niagara Falls, New York

Chief Strategic Development & Asset Officer, Director

Stavatti Aerospace Ltd · Full-time

Jun 2018 - Nov 2020 · 2 yrs 6 mos

Niagara Falls, New York

President

StartSmartR Capital Corporation ("SCC")

Jan 2015 - Jun 2018 · 3 yrs 6 mos

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Buffalo, New York

SCC is a technology company that established business Partnerships in a variety of sectors to apply artificial intelligence and the AutoGnome synthetic intelligence to products or processes to improve performance and relevance. Partnership Agreements were created in: Pharmacology, Bio-Pharmacology, Aerospace, Medical, Education, Environmental, ThoughtSigns, Inc. ("TSI") Computer Hardware, and existing A.I. companies. ...see more

Jan 2015 - Jun 2018 · 3 yrs 6 mos

TSI is a technology company that owns the intellectual property of the AutoGnome, a trademarked synthetic intelligence, that is applied to products or processes to improve performance and relevance.

Chief Operating Officer/Chief Administrative Officer
Oz Central of New York, LLC
Jul 2006 - Dec 2014 · 8 yrs 6 mos

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Education


 **Harvard Business School of Buffalo**
Certificate, Executive Training Program
1987 - 1987

 **University of Kentucky**
MA, Education
1970 - 1972


 **University of Kentucky**
BA, Political Science, Psychology
1966 - 1970

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Volunteering




 **Trustee**
Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village
Jan 2017 - Present · 6 yrs 1 mo
Education

As a Trustee, I am participating in the oversight and operation of a regionally significant Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village as it goes through the early years in the separation from the Town of Amherst, as the former Amherst Museum.... In addition, I am providing opportunity for regional private sector participation in the BNHV venues, education experience, Stavatti Aerospace Ltd relationship building and strategic planning. ...see more




 **Director**
Stavatti Aerospace Ltd
Aug 2018 - Present · 4 yrs 6 mos

Stavatti Aerospace Ltd. is an aircraft manufacturer focused on the design and production of military, commercial, and general aviation aircraft. Stavatti was formed with a vision to change the way aircraft are designed and built in order to improve efficiency, quality, safety, and performance.




Skills

Leadership
 Endorsed by Kathleen Granchelli and 2 others who are highly skilled at this
 Endorsed by 2 colleagues at Empire State Development
 99+ endorsements

Strategic Planning

-  Endorsed by Mike Casale and 8 others who are highly skilled at this
-  Endorsed by 6 colleagues at Empire State Development
-  99+ endorsements


Business Development

-  Endorsed by Mike Casale and 1 other who is highly skilled at this
-  Endorsed by 2 colleagues at Empire State Development
-  90 endorsements

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Recommendations

Received Given

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Margo Sue Bittner · 3rd
President at The Winery at Marjim Manor
April 3, 2014, Margo Sue worked with John R. on the same team


Economic Development is at John Simon's core. We first met when I was on the Niagara IDA and he was the Executive Director. From developing business leads to seeing the projects through, John was able to help both the companies and help the long term economy of Niagara County. He understood how to manage without micromanaging while training and supervising staff. Working with a politically appointed board could be a challenge. However, John found ways to keep everyone informed and focused on our purpose. When John took his myriad of skills into the private sector, Niagara County was the poorer for it.


John is one of those visionaries who seem able to spot opportunity. Whether it's a need to be filled, or a property crying for development he zeros right in on it. His skills and tenacity in bringing those opportunities to life separates John from the dreamers. His experience in economic development and international trade combined with his business acumen provide a major asset to our region.
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Bill McKibben · 3rd
Content & Creative Strategy Provider at The Great Lakes Group
May 20, 2012, Wt "Bill" worked with John R. but they were at different companies


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Co-chair, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
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